

Media Release

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More South Australian communities to connect to the **nbn**™ network

The next stage of the **nbn**[™] fast broadband network rollout has been announced for South Australia with over 49,000 premises to be connected in St Marys, Mt Barker, Murray Bridge and Reynella.

nbn today announced that over 430,000 premises across Australia from the current rollout schedule have entered build preparation.

These areas will see some of the first deployments of the Multi-Technology Mix (MTM) model in South Australia, including Fibre to the Node (FTTN).

The use of MTM is expected to save months in construction time and help complete the project sooner and more cost-effectively.

This follows last week's signing of new construction contracts with delivery partners which will continue to construct the $\mathbf{nbn}^{\mathsf{TM}}$ network across Australia. The new model aims to deliver a faster build while ensuring safety, cost effectiveness and quality.

The areas that have entered pre-construction are now shaded green on the nbn maps at www.nbn.com.au.

These areas signify contractors in cities and towns are carrying out pre-construction activities – for example readying pits and pipes for use by \mathbf{nbn} – ahead of the physical construction of the $\mathbf{nbn}^{\mathsf{TM}}$ network.

nbn aims to commence construction in these areas in coming months.

Further details are available from the rollout maps at: www.nbn.com.au

Russell Kelly, nbn spokesperson said:

"Many South Australians are already making the switch to the **nbn**™ network.

"The new areas announced will help build momentum in South Australia as we continue to provide access to fast broadband to new communities and help open up new opportunities for business, education and entertainment.

"This adds to the more than 60,000 South Australians who can already connect to the $\mathbf{nbn}^{\mathsf{TM}}$ network if they wish to."

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